

## PUSCENT TAX ON PHONE AND WIRE MESSAGES

Framers of Bill Expect to  
Add \$105,000,000 to  
Revenue.

PROVIDES FOR STAMP  
IMPOST TILL 1916

Express and Freight Re-  
ceipts Included—Bank  
Checks Exempt.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—Democratic members of the Committee on Ways and Means completed the draft of the emergency revenue law of 1914 today.

According to the estimates of its framers, the measure will produce an additional revenue of \$105,000,000 annually, but the stamp tax part of the bill is to become operative on December 31, 1915.

This section of the bill as drafted is expected to return a revenue of \$31,000,000. Therefore, the net permanent increase in the revenues of the United States as projected by the measure will be \$74,000,000.

Chairman Underwood expressed the hope, however, that all of the bill might be unnecessary by the end of next year.

As stated in THE SUN yesterday, the following will be the special tax levies added to the existing internal revenue laws of the United States:

A tax of \$1.50 per barrel on beer, lager beer, ale, porter and other similar fermented liquors.

A tax of 2 cents a gallon on gasoline.

A tax on the domestic manufacture of wines containing more than 3 per cent. of alcohol, the rate to be 20 cents a gallon, and upon dry wines, of 12 cents a gallon.

Taxes of 18 Cents Included.

The following special taxes, as compared in the Spanish war revenue law of 1898, will be included:

A tax upon the capital of the bankers of \$2 per \$100 of capitalization. This is at the same rate as the law of 1898, except that a minimum of \$50 upon each bank was set by that law and no differentiation was made in the case of banks with less than \$25,000 of capital. The \$25,000 limitation has been stricken out.

Stock and bond brokers will pay a special tax of 1 per cent.

Commercial brokers will pay a special tax of 2 per cent.

House brokers will pay a tax of 1 per cent.

The proprietors of theatres, museums and music halls in cities of more than 10,000 population will pay a tax of \$100.

This differs from the law of 1898 only in that the population limit, which was set then at 25,000.

The proprietors of theatres will pay a tax of \$100.

Proprietors of all other public exhibitions or shows for money not enumerated above will pay a tax of \$10.

Proprietors of bowling alleys and billiard rooms will pay \$5 for each alley or table therein.

Levies on Tobacco.

The law of 1898 is reenacted in so far as duties in leaf tobacco are concerned. Dealers whose annual sales do not exceed 10,000 pounds shall pay \$5, dealers in leaf tobacco whose sales exceed 10,000 pounds and do not exceed 100,000 pounds shall pay \$12, and if their annual sales exceed 100,000 pounds, the tax shall be \$15.

Manufacturers of tobacco and manufacturers of cigars and dealers in tobacco shall pay universally a tax of \$4.50.

In the case of manufacturers of cigars and dealers therein, and manufacturers of cigars paid a graduated tax on the same basis as the dealers in leaf tobacco.

The following will be the stamp taxes under schedule A:

The tax upon bonds, debentures or certificates of indebtedness will be 5 cents on each \$100 of face value or fraction thereof, and there shall be a tax of 2 cents on the transfer of such bonds, debentures or certificates of indebtedness, whatsoever.

Upon each sale, agreement of sale, or assignment to sell any product or merchandise at any exchange or board of trade for present or future delivery there will be a tax of 1 cent for each 100 of value of said sale or agreement.

Checks and Drafts Exempt.

The 2 cent tax on each bank check, draft or certificate of deposit which appeared in the law of 1898 will not be reenacted.

A tax on bills of exchange (domestic), certificates of deposit drawing interest or orders for the payment of any sums of money otherwise than at sight or on demand and on promissory notes will be 2 cents for each \$100 of value.

The tax on bills of foreign exchange and letters of credit, which appeared in the law of 1898, will not be reenacted.

Express and freight receipts will be taxed each 1 cent, as in the law of 1898.

Telegram and telephone messages will be taxed 1 cent for each message.

The tax of 10 cents on foreign bills of lading, appearing in the law of 1898, has not been reenacted.

Bonds for the indemnification of persons, firms or corporations will be taxed 50 cents.

Certificates of profit will be taxed 2 cents for each \$100 of face value or fraction thereof.

Certificates of damages will be taxed 25 cents each.

Certificates of any description required by law, not otherwise specified, will be taxed 10 cents.

Contracts for the charter of any ship or vessel taxed in the law of 1898 at \$3 and upward will be untaxed in the present bill.

Brokers' notes or memoranda of sale will be taxed 10 cents.

50 Cents on Deeds.

Conveyances, deeds, instruments or mortgages, whereby lands, tenements or hereditaments are sold will be taxed 50 cents where the consideration exceeds \$100 and does not exceed \$500, and for each additional \$500 or fractional part thereof 25 cents.

The life insurance tax of 1898 of eight cents on each \$100 of the amount insured will be reenacted.

The marine, inland and fire insurance tax of the law of 1898 of one-half of one per cent of the premium charge will be reenacted.

The casualty, fidelity and guaranty insurance tax of one-half of 1 per cent of the premium charge, as in the law of 1898, will be reenacted.

Leases, agreements, memoranda or contracts for hire, taxed in 1898, will be untaxed by the present bill.

Custom house manifests, tonnage, reg-

## President Calls Halt on Pork Barrel Fight

"Continuous Session" Plan Stopped and Senate Adjourns  
Till To-morrow, When Compromise Bill Saving  
\$20,000,000 Will Be Substituted.

THREAT OF ARREST KEEPS SENATORS UP ALL NIGHT

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—Democratic leaders who embarked last night on a policy of "continuous session" of the Senate until the river and harbor bill should be passed relaxed at 6 o'clock this evening. It was whispered among Senators that President Wilson took a hand in the matter and that as the result of a telephone conference between him and Senator Simmons, who had charge of the river and harbor bill, the "continuous session" plan was called off and the Senate took an adjournment until Monday.

In the meantime conferences will be held between the friends and opponents of the bill. The appropriations will be cut and early next week a bill will be reported which will carry anywhere from \$20,000,000 to \$30,000,000, a reduction of more than one-half of the original bill.

The Senate was in session continuously from 11 o'clock yesterday until 6 o'clock this evening. Senator Burton of Ohio held the floor all night. His voice was so broken to-day that he could hardly speak above a whisper, and he seemed much fatigued.

Kenyon Relieves Burton.

Senator Kenyon relieved Mr. Burton at 7 o'clock this morning. The Ohio Senator took some lunch and returned to the fray and spoke until 4 o'clock this afternoon, when Senator Sterling of South Dakota relieved him, holding the floor until adjournment.

The opponents of the bill greatly augmented their strength in the afternoon. Senator Norris, who has been absent on account of illness, came limping into the chamber on a cane at 4 o'clock, prepared to take the floor following Mr. Sterling and ready to speak for several hours.

An unexpected recruit was Senator Weeks of Massachusetts, who served notice that he was opposed to the river and harbor bill and was ready to speak indefinitely. Some of the advocates of the bill, Senator Weeks's opposition directly to the fact that the appropriation for deepening Boston harbor had been cut out, but Mr. Weeks said he was opposed to the measure regardless of the Boston harbor item.

Borah Wires "Hold Fort."

Senator Borah, who opened the Republican campaign in Indiana on Thursday and in Illinois yesterday, wired to Senator Burton this afternoon:

Hold the fort, for I am coming. I will be in Washington at 8 o'clock to-morrow morning (Sunday) prepared to speak indefinitely in opposition to the bill.

Senator Smoot, Senator Townsend and others were ready to support the opponents of the bill, and the Democratic leaders made up their minds that Senator Burton and his colleagues had won the fight, and that the only thing that remained was to arrange the details of the capitulation.

The influence of the White House in the Senate is being felt. The newspaper men who went to the White House in the morning got the impression that President Wilson desired that the bill be cut to the point where it would provide for maintenance work, involving an appropriation of less than \$20,000,000.

When this information got abroad in the Senate, Senator Simmons telephoned to President Wilson and later announced that President Wilson had not authorized any statement that he was opposed to the bill.

Telephones to President.

Senator Simmons immediately set about the work of arranging a compromise. At

later of ships, taxed in 1898, will be untaxed in the present bill.

The mortgage tax of 25 cents on the first \$1,000 of a mortgage and 25 cents for each additional \$500 will be reenacted, as in 1898.

Power of attorney will be taxed \$1 if costing not exceeding \$50, and \$3 if exceeding \$50, and \$5 if exceeding \$50.

Powers of attorney and proxies for voting at elections of officers of corporations, except religious, charitable or literary societies or public cemeteries, will be taxed 10 cents.

Powers of attorney to sell or convey real estate will be taxed 25 cents.

A tax of 25 cents on protest charges is reenacted.

A tax of two cents on each chair car or sleeping car ticket will be in this bill. This is the only change in the rate from the schedules of the law of 1898 to be included in the new measure.

NEARLY AGREE ON TRUST BILL.

Conferees Expect to Finish Their Work To-morrow.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—The conferees of the Senate and House who have been working on the Clayton bill have nearly reached an agreement. They expect to conclude their work Monday and have agreed to take a vote on reporting the bill not later than Tuesday. The conferees expect to reach a compromise on both houses not later than Wednesday of next week.

The conferees have decided to strike from the bill the Senate amendment for the section 25, of which Vice-President Marshall was the author but which was put in the bill on the motion of Senator Chilton of West Virginia. This amendment is as follows:

"That it shall be unlawful for any corporation engaged in commerce to do any business in any State contrary to the laws of the State under which said corporation was created or contrary to the laws of the State in which it may be doing business."

The conferees, after a long deadlock, has practically decided to restore to the bill the House provision regarding interlocking bank directors which the Senate had struck out. The conferees have also decided that sections 2 and 4 of the House bill shall be restored, but in a form that will not subject to a committee which will omit the penalties carried by the House bill.

DINNER FOR I. R. T. WORKERS.

President Shonts Entertains Employees and Railroad Officials.

Theodore P. Shonts, president of the Interborough Rapid Transit Company, gave his second annual shore dinner last night to members of the I. R. T. baseball team, company employees, and 150 leading railroad officials of the East, at the Brighton Beach Casino.

There were 400 guests in all. The men of the greatest fellowship and efficiency of the I. R. T. were the guests of honor.

The pennant winners of the I. R. T. C. league played their pennant game yesterday afternoon at Van Cortland Park, the latter winning, 5 to 4.

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